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vehicle in a parking gear, the lack of motion of a vehicle for a period of time, the opening and/or closing of a vehicle door, or a combination of such events, each of which require no user interaction other than the typical actions taken to park a vehicle.

In the claims:

Substitute pending claim 35 with the following:

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35. (Amended) A method for allocating one or more vehicles from a fleet of electric powered vehicles to one or more users, wherein each vehicle has a state of charge (SOC) at any given time, the method comprising:
- receiving a travel request from a user;
 - selecting a first group of one or more vehicles from the fleet, where each selected vehicle has a SOC sufficient to meet the travel request from the user;
 - selecting a second group of N vehicles having the N highest SOC's of the vehicles within the first group, wherein N is a predetermined positive integer greater than 1; and
 - allocating to the user the vehicle having the highest SOC of vehicles in the second group but not the first group.
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